Course Data Standard
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Ownership and History

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Instructional Time guidance changed to reflect that it is not required for 2018-19
Overview

Description
As courses are added or rolled forward, the course data should follow these guidelines for accurate LEAD reporting, Teacher of Record (TOR) linkage, and Accountability reporting.

Every course scheduled during instructional time or that delivers instruction during non-instructional time must use the state code that most closely represents the content, rigor, students, and teacher certification of a given course as described in the Searchable State Course Codes Database.

Regulation citation(s)
- LEAD (Local Educator Assignment Data) Reporting: KRS 161.1221; 16 KAR 1:050
- Uniform Academic Course Codes: 704 KAR 3:540
- Kentucky Uniform Academic Course Code webpage
- Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES) program 11 KAR 15:090; KRS 158.007(8); KRS 164.098
- Kentucky’s Accountability System 703 KAR 5:270

Data use
- Academic Course Code auditing
- Local Educator Assignment Data (LEAD) Reporting
- Teacher of Record
- School Report Card
- Analyzing course progressions and participation
- Data sharing between systems – Kentucky Longitudinal Data System
- KEES bonus for Advanced Placement, Dual Credit & International Baccalaureate & Cambridge Advanced International courses

Related ad-hoc filters and reports
Path: KY State Reporting / KDE Reports/
- Advanced Coursework To produce aggregated Opportunity and Access information for advanced coursework and the supporting student level detail (Quick Reference Card)
- Dual Credit Scholarship To verify and create Dual Credit and Work Ready Scholarship file for submission to KHEAA (Quick Reference Card)
- Missing or Invalid Course State Codes To identify invalid state course codes
- Adv Courses and Exams To provide aggregated and detail data for students taking advanced coursework. The data includes the number of students taking a course and completing a course. Also, for AP, IB and CAI courses includes the number of students taking the corresponding exam and receiving a qualifying score on the exam; for Dual Credit courses includes the number of students with a qualifying score (qualifying grade in the course is a C or above). (Quick Reference Card)
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➢ QA Courses To assist with quality assurance review of active courses with a section scheduled. (Quick Reference Card)

Training

Path: Ad Hoc Reporting / Data Export / State Published /

➢ student AP Course Code with No Difficulty Level To verify Advanced Placement courses setup
➢ student AP Difficulty No AP Course Code To verify Advanced Placement courses setup
➢ curriculum Course – SRC Teaching Methods To verify Teaching Method and Instructional Setting setup
➢ curriculum Dual Credit Courses To verify Dual Credit course setup
➢ curriculum State Course Codes To verify that appropriate course codes are assigned
➢ student Transcript Entry without a State Course Code To find transcript entries that do not have a state course code

Training

Campus Community Resources

Course Masters; Courses; Course Catalog

Section A – Course Fields

Course Master or Course tab

Campus Path: Grading & Standards / Course Master (if using Course Catalog)

Scheduling / Add Course

Districts may choose to use a Course Catalog, a collection of course masters that is then attached to the school. A Course Master can be used to define elements of courses from a district level, so that all schools have the same number and naming convention for the courses, as well as the same setup for grading. Changes made to the course master may be pushed to the courses at the schools for a school year, if fields have been locked.
State Code: Every course scheduled during instructional time or that delivers instruction during non-instructional time must use the state code that most closely represents the content, rigor, students, and teacher certification of a given course as described in the Searchable State Course Codes Database.

GPA Weight: Weight of course grade for Grade Point Average (GPA) calculation only. For KEES calculation, the GPA Weight must equal the credits attempted with one exception. If the course is pass/fail, then must be 0.

Type: Select if course is Virtual or Performance-Based. The school will become eligible for Average Daily Attendance (ADA) funding for students if a passing grade is posted for this type of course.
- Virtual - select if course is an offsite online course.
- Performance - select if course is a Performance-Based Course. Performance-Based Credit may be awarded for satisfactory demonstration of learning based on content standards described in the program of studies, 704 KAR 3:303, regardless of the number of instructional hours in one (1) subject. The awarding of credit based on performance requires a rigorous performance standards policy, including performance descriptors and assessments that provide evidence of demonstrated knowledge and skills.
**Difficulty Level:** Select from the drop down menu **only** for AP: Advanced Placement, DC: Dual Credit, IB: International Baccalaureate and CAI: Cambridge Advanced International courses. In order for students to be eligible for the KEES bonus, you must select AP, DC, IB or CAI.

- **Advanced Placement** courses must have the matching AP state course code.
- **Dual Credit** courses must comply with KRS 158.007(8) which defined dual credit as “a college–level course of study developed in accordance with KRS 164.098 in which a high school student receives credit from both the high school and postsecondary institution in which the student is enrolled upon completion of a single class or designated program of study.

  See **Dual Credit Course Data Standard** for additional requirements for dual credit courses.
- **International Baccalaureate** courses must have the matching IB state course code.
- **Cambridge Advanced International** courses

**Teaching Method** (The methods used for instruction): Choose from the drop down menu the appropriate teaching method for this course section

- **01**: Direct Instruction (default setting) – traditional course taught by a teacher employed by the district
- **02**: 3rd Party Contract – course taught by a 3rd party contractor other than virtual, dual credit, or National Academy Foundation (NAF) (e.g., auto mechanic, golf instructor, Head Start provider)
- **10**: Digital Learning Provider – virtual course that uses a digital platform other than credit recovery (e.g., JCPS eSchool, KET, BAVEL)
- **11**: Dual Credit – District Offered – dual credit course taught by a teacher employed by the district, and students are not enrolled in the NAF Academy
- **12**: Dual Credit – College Offered - dual credit course taught by a teacher employed by a postsecondary institution, and students are not enrolled in the NAF Academy
- **13**: Credit Recovery – Direct Instruction – course taught by a teacher employed by the district that allows students to earn credit for a course they previously failed
- **14**: Credit Recovery – Digital Learning Provider – computer-based course that allows students to earn credit for a course they previously failed (e.g., PLATO, APEX, Odyssey, NOVEL/STARS).
- **19**: District Provided Self Study – independent self-study course

**Instructional Setting:** (The location where instruction takes place) Choose from the drop down menu the appropriate instructional setting for this course section.

- **01**: Onsite Classroom – course taught primarily in the school building
- **02**: Offsite CTE – course taught at a Career and Technical Education Center away from the school building
- **03**: Offsite College – course taught at a postsecondary institution
- **04**: Home/Hospital – course taught in a home/hospital setting
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- 05: Online – course taught online
- 06: Blended Learning – course taught in a setting consisting of both face-to-face instruction and online learning. Ideally, blended learning consists of 40-60% of the course being delivered online or digitally. There has to be that face-to-face component delivered by a certified teacher. The digital/online content ideally should be created, reviewed and/or endorsed by a certified teacher in that content area.
- 11: Spanish Immersion
- 12: French Immersion

Attendance: Select if attendance is required to be taken in this course for ADA funding purposes. The attendance checkbox cannot be checked if the course uses the Type Virtual.

NOTE: Any changes made to the Course Master need to be pushed to the courses. Use the Push to Courses option and select the calendar year to which it should apply, which will update any locked fields on connected courses in the selected calendar to have the same information - Grading Tasks, Standards, Categories, Grade Calculations, etc. See Campus Community’s Course Master Info for more information.

Section B – Grading Task tab

Campus Path: Scheduling / Add Course / Grading Task

See Grades Data Standard for details on defining grades and credits for the course.
Section C – Section tab

Campus Path: Scheduling / Add Course / Section

Section Number: Each section must have a distinct section number

Instructional Setting (Override):
Selecting an option from the drop list overrides the course’s instructional setting for this section only.

Highly Qualified: Select the primary teacher’s Highly Qualified status for this course. Options are as follows:
- Highly Qualified
- Not Highly Qualified
- Not Applicable

Special Type: Indicate courses designated as one of the special type courses. Type 02: Alternative Classroom must be selected for any course received by a student placed in an alternative education program. All content courses offered at the alternative school must have a section with a Special Type of Alternative Classroom.

Population ID: Indicate the population from the dropdown menu only if there are no students in the course. This should be blank in most cases.

Instructional Time: It is not necessary to record instructional time.

Core Content: Only select a core content if state code 909999 has been indicated on the course tab. This should be blank in most cases.
Section D – Staff History tab

Campus Path: Scheduling / Add Course / Section / Staff History

See Teacher of Record Data Standard for details on assigning staff.